

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1, 7, and 13, CANCEL claims 6, 9, 12, 14-15, 18, and 22, and ADD new claim 23 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A video recording and reproducing apparatus, comprising:

image recording means for recording, at different time points, ~~images~~ a plurality of image contents and image data including sound data from a video input;

randomly accessible data storage means for storing the ~~images~~ plurality of image contents and image data including sound data recorded in said image recording means;

image displaying means for displaying at the same time in one screen a plurality of ~~images~~ the image contents recorded at the different time points and read out from said data storage means; ~~wherein the plurality of said images recorded at different time points comprises a plurality of image contents recorded at different time points or a plurality of images in a given said image content recorded at different time points;~~

sound select means for selecting a sound designated by a user to be output;

information processing means for controlling said data storage means, ~~and~~ said image displaying means, and said sound selecting means in such a manner that a plurality of ~~images~~ image contents recorded in said image recording means at different time points are read from said data storage means and displayed in a single screen by said image displaying means and the sound designated by the user is reproduced; and

user interface means, interposed between said information processing means and ~~a~~ the user, ~~for~~ performing special reproduction functions, including at least a selected one of rapid feed and pause, on the image contents selected arbitrarily by the user through the user interface means.

2. (CANCELLED)

3. (CANCELLED)

4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A video recording and reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of image contents stored in said data storage means are converted into a data base capable of being searched and sorted, and at least one of the image contents included in a group of image contents searched for and sorted from said data base is displayed in a single screen in accordance with information input from said user interface means.

5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A video recording and reproducing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the image contents selected through said user interface means are changed to other image contents and the resulting image contents are displayed in a single screen with the image contents under generation.

6. (CANCELLED)

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A video recording and reproducing method, comprising:

recording, ~~an image by at least one image recorder~~ at different time points, a plurality of image contents and image data including sound data from a video input by an image recording means;

storing the ~~image recorded by said image recorder~~ in a randomly, accessible data storage; ~~plurality of image contents and image data including sound data from a video input by the image recording means~~ in a randomly accessible data storage; and

~~reading a plurality of images recorded at different time points from said data storage, and displaying said plurality of images in a single screen~~

displaying, at the same time in one screen, the plurality of the image contents recorded at the different time points and read out from said data storage;

selecting a sound designated by a user to be output;

controlling said data storage, said displaying, and said selecting in such a manner that a plurality of image contents recorded at different time points are read from said data storage and displayed in a single screen and the sound designated by the user is reproduced; and

performing special reproduction functions, including at least a selected function of rapid feed and pause, on image contents selected arbitrarily by the user.

8. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A video recording and reproducing method according to claim 7, wherein the plurality of said images, recorded at different time points, comprise a plurality of image contents recorded at different time points or a plurality of images, in a given said image content, recorded at different time points.

9. (CANCELLED)

10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A video recording and reproducing method according to claim 7, further comprising converting a plurality of the image contents, stored in said data storage, into a data base capable of being searched and sorted, and displaying at least one of the image contents, included in a group of image contents searched for and sorted from said data base in a single screen in accordance with information input from said user.

11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A video recording and reproducing method according to claim 7, wherein the image contents selected by said user are changed to other, resulting image contents and the resulting image contents are displayed in a single screen.

12. (CANCELLED)

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A recording medium for storing a program readable by an information processing unit, to control the information processing unit to:

record, an image by at least one image recorder at different time points, a plurality of image contents and image data including sound data from a video input;

store the image recorded by said image recorder in a randomly accessible data storage; a plurality of image contents and image data including sound data from a video input in a randomly accessible data storage;

read a plurality of images, recorded at different time points, from said data storage means; and display, said read, plurality of images in a single screen at the same time in one screen, the plurality of the image contents recorded at the different time points and read out from said data storage;

select a sound designated by a user to be output;

control said data storage, said image displaying, and said sound selecting in such a manner that a plurality of image contents recorded at different time points are read from said data storage and displayed in a single screen and the sound designated by the user is

reproduced; and

perform special reproduction functions, including at least a selected function of rapid feed and pause, on image contents selected arbitrarily by the user.

14. (CANCELLED)

15. (CANCELLED)

16. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A recording medium according to claim 13, wherein the program further controls the processing unit to:

convert a plurality of the image contents stored in said data storage into a data base capable of being searched and sorted, and display at least one of the image contents, included in a group of image contents searched for and sorted from said data base in a single screen in accordance with information input by said user.

17. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A recording medium according to claim 13, wherein the program further controls the processing unit to:

change the image contents, selected by said user, to other image contents and display the resulting other image contents are displayed in a single screen.

18. (CANCELLED)

19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A video recording and reproducing apparatus, comprising:

an image recorder recording, at different time points, images a plurality of image contents and image data including sound data from a video input;

a randomly accessible data storage storing the images plurality of image contents and image data including sound data recorded in said image recorder;

an image display displaying at the same time in one screen a plurality of images the image contents recorded at the different time points and read out from said data storage, ~~wherein the plurality of said images recorded at different time points comprises a plurality of image contents recorded at different time points or a plurality of images in a given said image content recorded at different time points;~~

a selector selecting a sound designated by a user to be output;

an information processor controlling said data storage, ~~and said image display, and said selector~~ in such a manner that a plurality of ~~images~~ image contents recorded in said image recorder at different time points are read from said data storage and displayed in a single screen by said image display and the sound designated by the user is reproduced; and

a user interface, interposed between said information processor and ~~a~~ the user, performing special reproduction functions, including at least a selected one of rapid feed and pause, on the image contents selected arbitrarily by the user through the user interface means.

20. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A video recording and reproducing apparatus according to claim 19, further comprising a user interface interposed between said information processor and the user, wherein a plurality of image contents stored in said data storage are converted into a data base capable of being searched and sorted, and at least one of the image contents, included in a group of image contents searched for and sorted from said data base and reproduced at the same time is displayed in a single screen in accordance with the information input from said user interface.

21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A video recording and reproducing apparatus according to claim 19, further comprising a user interface interposed between said information processor and the user, wherein the image contents selected through said user interface are changed to other image contents and the resulting, other image contents are displayed in a single screen with the image contents under generation.

22. (CANCELLED)

23. (NEW) A video recording and reproducing method, comprising:
recording, at different time points, a plurality of image contents and image data including sound data from a video input;
storing the plurality of image contents and image data including sound data from a video input in a randomly accessible data storage;
displaying, at the same time in one screen, the plurality of the image contents recorded at the different time points and read out from said data storage;
selecting a sound designated by a user to be output; and
controlling said data storage, said displaying, and said selecting in such a manner that a plurality of image contents recorded at different time points are read and displayed in a single

screen and the sound designated by the user is reproduced.